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WAR OFFICE,
1st March, 1915.

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| <div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">30</div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; text-align: left;">Gen. No.</div> <div style="text-align: left; margin-top: -5px;">5059</div> | I.—Soldiers on Sick Furlough. | —1. Great hardship is occasioned to soldiers when officers who grant extensions of sick furlough neglect to inform both the officer in charge of records and paymaster concerned. The attention of all officers authorized to grant extensions should be drawn to the importance of such notification.
2. The attention of medical officers in charge of hospitals should also be drawn to the importance of complying with existing instructions in regard to the notification of grants of sick furlough to soldiers. | <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; text-align: left;">A.O. 89.</div> <div style="text-align: left; margin-top: -5px;">1915.</div> |
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| <div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">23</div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; text-align: left;">Colonies</div> <div style="text-align: left; margin-top: -5px;">241</div> | II.—Army Act—Detention Barrack at Abbassia, Egypt. | —In pursuance of the powers vested in him by Section 133 of the Army Act, the Secretary of State for War has set apart a building at Abbassia, Egypt, as a military detention barrack, and has declared the same to be a military detention barrack accordingly. | <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; text-align: left;">A.O. 90.</div> <div style="text-align: left; margin-top: -5px;">1915.</div> |
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| <div style="text-align: right; margin-bottom: 5px;">9</div> <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; text-align: left;">Engineers</div> <div style="text-align: left; margin-top: -5px;">2072</div> | III.—Pay and Engineer Pay, Motor Cyclist Section, Royal Engineers Special Reserve, and Territorial Force. | —1. With reference to Army Order 8 of 1915, paragraph 6, a non-commissioned officer of the Special Reserve Motor Cyclist Section, Royal Engineers, who
(M 3692) | <div style="border-bottom: 1px solid black; display: inline-block; text-align: left;">A.O. 91.</div> <div style="text-align: left; margin-top: -5px;">1915.</div> |
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A.O. 91 qualifies as an efficient field line telegraphist, may be
1915 mustered as such and rated for Engineer pay according
continued. to his qualification.

2. Motor cyclists, Royal Engineers, Territorial Force, who qualify as efficient field line telegraphists will be similarly dealt with. Others will draw Engineer pay as under—

Serjeant, 1s. a day under Article 837, Pay Warrant.
 Non-commissioned officers below the rank of serjeant, 6d. a day, as for pioneers.

3. The rate of regimental pay for a motor cyclist artificer corporal, Royal Engineers, Territorial Force, will be 3s. a day.

Published on the 14th February, 1915.

A.O. 92. **IV.—Officers who are deceased or are reported**
1915. **missing—Instructions for the issue of pay.—**

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1. *Deceased officers.*—When the pay of a British officer is, under the terms of the Pay Warrant, issuable monthly in advance, no refund of any portion of the month's pay already issued will, in future, be required in the case of an officer who dies during the month.

In the case of officers who are entitled to a gratuity under Article 497, Pay Warrant, further instructions will be issued as to a deduction being made from the gratuity in respect of pay issued beyond the date of death.

2. *Officers reported missing.*—The following arrangements are substituted for those laid down in the first paragraph of Section 2 of Army Order 425 of 1914, and the period for which staff pay may be drawn as laid down in the second paragraph of that section will be subject to modification accordingly, *i.e.*, it will only be issuable up to 61 days when the following regulation admits of pay up to or beyond that period :—

(a) *Married officers.*—If the officer's name still remains on the list of missing officers at the end of 3 months from the date on which he became missing,* full regimental or half-pay will cease at the end of the 3 months, and subsequent issues will be restricted to the rate at which pension would be issued to the officer's widow and children.

* For footnote, see page 5.

- (b) *Unmarried officers and widowers, with dependants who might be entitled to pensions under Article 675 or 676, Pay Warrant, if the officer's death were proved.*—If the officer's name still remains on the list of missing officers at the end of 2 months from the date on which he became missing,* full regimental or half-pay will cease at the end of the 2 months, and future issues will be restricted to the rate at which pension would be issued to the dependant. A.O. 92
1915
continued.
- (c) *Unmarried officers and widowers, without dependants who might be entitled to pensions if the officer's death were proved.*—These will be treated on the same lines as deceased officers, *i.e.*, if their pay is issuable monthly in advance, no refund of any portion of the month's pay will be required, if they become missing* during the month, but with this exception no pay will be credited to them after the date on which they become missing.*

3. As soon as an officer is reported missing, application will at once be made to the War Office by or on behalf of the wife and (or) children or mother or sister (or sisters) of the missing officer in order that it may be ascertained under which of the headings (a), (b) and (c) the officer comes. The necessary forms of application showing the particulars required may be obtained from the officer's Army agents or from the War Office. The agents will then be directed to give effect to the above instructions, according as they apply in each individual case, for the continuance of pay for 3 or 2 months or for its non-continuance beyond the date on which the officer became missing.*

4. The cases under 2 (a) and (b), where pay is to continue at pension rates, are limited to those in which pensions would be awarded if the officer were known to be dead. While the issue will be regarded and classified as pay, the conditions and machinery of issue will be those in force for the award and issue of pensions.

5. No recovery will be made in cases where the period for which pay is issuable, as shown above, has already been exceeded. But in such cases the issue of pay, &c.,

* When there is no information as to the actual date on which an officer was first missing, the date of the earliest report will be taken as that on which the officer became missing.

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A.O. 92 will cease forthwith, and pension rates (where provided)
1915 will be issuable henceforward. Any issue of pay already
continued. made in respect of a period subsequent to the date of
 this Army Order will be adjusted in cases where pension
 rates are issued; in other cases no recovery will be
 made.

6. It will be understood that the issue of pay for 3 or 2 months is provisional and depends on the officer not being found to be dead within that period. If he is declared dead during the period of 3 or 2 months, his pay ceases from the date of notification of his death, with the exception that no recovery of pay already issued at the beginning of the month in which he died will be made.

7. Cases may arise in which a cheque, signed by a missing officer and presented to his agents for payment, bears a date subsequent to that on which the issue of his pay ceased. Such cases should at once be brought to the notice of the Army Council. Pending any action by the Council, his agents are at liberty to honour the cheque if they are satisfied that it is genuine and in order. If the balance on the officer's account is insufficient to meet the liability they may credit the officer with sufficient additional pay from Army funds up to the amount which would have been due between the date of cessation of pay and the date of the cheque, if pay had been continued.

Published on the 15th February, 1915.

A.O. 93. V.—Soldiers who are reported Missing—Instruc-
1915. **tions as to the payment of Separation Allowance**
and Allotments.

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The exigencies of the service have caused unavoidable delay in the assembly of the courts of enquiry on soldiers reported missing referred to in Section 136, Field Service Regulations, Part II. It has, therefore, been decided that the following revised regulations shall govern the issue of separation allowance and allotments to the wives, families and dependants of missing soldiers. The revised regulations will be in substitution for those issued by paragraph 2 of Army Order 383 of 1914, and paragraph 9 of Army Order 12 of 1915, and will have retrospective effect.

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It should be understood that a soldier's estate will not be legally wound up nor will a non-effective account be prepared until he has been declared officially to be dead. A.O. 93
1915
continued.

1. A soldier who is reported missing, and of whom no news has been received within four weeks from the date on which the person to whom separation allowance is being issued has been informed that he is missing, will be regarded as coming under paragraph 4 of Army Order 12 of 1915, for purposes of issue of separation allowance and allotments of pay. The issue of the 26 weekly payments will commence from the pay day immediately following that on which the four weeks expires, *i.e.*, the issues will continue until 30 weekly payments have been made, reckoned from the date on which the payee has been informed that the soldier is missing.

2. If news of the missing soldier's death is received before the expiry of the period of four weeks, the issue of the 26 weekly payments will be reckoned from the date on which the person to whom separation allowance is being issued is notified that he is dead.

3. If after expiry of the four weeks the missing soldier is found (by court of enquiry or otherwise) to be dead, the issue of separation allowance and allotments as provided above will not be affected, *i.e.*, 30 weekly payments only will be issued reckoned from the date on which the person to whom separation allowance is being issued was informed that he was missing.

4. Separation allowance or allotments of pay to which a family or dependant of a missing soldier may first become entitled during the period of 30 weeks will not be continued after the period laid down in paragraphs 1 and 2 has expired, irrespective of the date within the 30 weeks on which the first issue was made.

5. Separation allowance and allotments of pay now being issued in respect of soldiers who have already been missing for four weeks or over will cease after the expiration of the periods referred to in paragraphs 1 and 2.

6. In cases in which voluntary allotments only are being paid and no separation allowance, issues will continue after a soldier is reported missing, but such continuance will not exceed four weekly payments subsequent to the date on which the person to whom the allotment is being issued is notified that the soldier is missing. If before the issue of the four payments the soldier is reported to be dead the issue will not ordinarily be allowed after the casualty is known.

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A.O. 93 In any case, however, where a claim for dependant's
1915 allowance is under consideration, voluntary allotments
continued. may continue to be issued while the claim is being
investigated.

The voluntary allotments now being issued should cease forthwith if four weekly payments have been made since the payee was notified that the soldier was missing, but no recovery of past issues need be made.

7. Pensions for which the widow and children of a missing soldier are eligible will begin to be payable from the date of expiration of separation allowance.

Application for pension on Army Form B 104-76 (or Army Form B 104-77) will be submitted, as regards *future cases*, immediately after four weekly payments of separation allowance have been made.

In the cases referred to in paragraph 5, the application will be submitted as soon as possible.

Army Form B 104-88 will, in all cases, be forwarded to the War Office when the form of application for pension is sent to the widow (or guardian in the case of motherless children).

Published on the 16th February, 1915.

A.O. 94. **VI.—Clothing of Soldiers on Discharge.—Army** **A.C.D.**
1915. Orders 26 and 64 of 1915 are hereby cancelled and the **Northern**
following substituted :— **115**

1. The following procedure will be observed in dealing with soldiers on discharge, including men discharged from the Territorial Force or from locally raised units, during the period of war.

2. All uniform clothing in possession must be withdrawn and returned to regimental store for re-issue or other disposal, according to its condition. The drawers, one pair of boots or Highland shoes, and the kit of necessaries may be retained by the soldier.

3. Soldiers discharged under paragraph 392 (xvi.), King's Regulations, as no longer physically fit for war service, or proceeding on furlough pending such discharge, will, if not already in possession of similar serviceable articles, be supplied free with the following :—

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- 1 pair of ankle boots or Highland shoes.
- 1 pair of drawers.
- 1 cardigan waistcoat.
- 2 flannel shirts.
- 2 pairs of socks.

A.O. 94
1915
continued.

They will also receive a suit of plain clothes, or the sum of 17s. 7d. in lieu (if in possession of plain clothes), and, if discharged or sent on furlough pending discharge between the 1st October and 31st March, a civilian overcoat. Civilian overcoats in possession or in store will be utilized for this purpose.

4. Soldiers, except those discharged for misconduct and those referred to above, also recruits with less than 3 months' service whose civilian clothes have been disposed of, will receive a suit of plain clothes, or the sum of 17s. 7d. in lieu (if in possession of plain clothes). Men discharged under paragraph 392 (iii.) (c.) and (c.c.), King's Regulations, between the 1st October and 31st March during the war will, from and after the 18th January, 1915, receive a civilian overcoat. Civilian overcoats in possession or in store will be utilized for this purpose.

5. A suit of plain clothes may be issued to men who are discharged for misconduct if they are without funds.

6. Plain clothes, if not available at the clothing depôt supplying the district, will be provided locally, at rates not exceeding 17s. 7d.

7. In no circumstances are discharged soldiers to be permitted to leave their units wearing uniform.

Published on the 17th February, 1915.

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Gen. No.
5068

VII.—Pay Accounting.—Rendering of Pay and Mess Books.—The failure of Officers Commanding units embarking for active service to render pay and mess books to the fixed centre paymaster has been the cause of much inconvenience in the pay office and has also delayed the settlement of the accounts of men that have been left at home.

A.O. 95.
1915.

Before embarkation Officers Commanding companies, &c., should forward the pay and mess books (closed if possible) together with the cash book and all receipted bills, vouchers, &c., to the paymaster. Any bills which cannot be paid by the unit before embarkation should

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A.O. 95 be forwarded to the paymaster with a request to pay
1915 them on behalf of the unit. (See paragraph 194, Mobilization Regulations.)
continued.

The Officer Commanding the unit should at the same time refund to the cashier of the command the balance of public money in his possession, including any sum standing to the credit of his public banking account.

Published on the 18th February, 1915.

VIII.—ROYAL WARRANT.

A.O. 96.
1915.

Previous Service counting towards
 Proficiency Pay.

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 Gen. No.
 4825

GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS WE deem it expedient to modify the conditions under which soldiers in Our Army may be granted Proficiency Pay ;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS that soldiers, whether serving on an Army, Special Reserve, or Territorial Force engagement shall, from the date of this Warrant, be allowed to count previous service in any of the following categories towards the period of service necessary to qualify for the grant of proficiency pay :—

- (a) Our Regular Army or Royal Marines.
- (b) Our Colonial corps (except the South African Constabulary) while under active service conditions.
- (c) Our Militia or Special Reserve or embodied Imperial Yeomanry.
- (d) In Our Territorial Force service prior to mobilization shall count as laid down by Our Army Council in Army Orders 290 and 350 of 1914.

This Warrant shall apply only to those who serve during the present war. Men who enlist, re-enlist, re-engage or extend their service after the conclusion of hostilities will be subject to the conditions of Article 1066 of Our Warrant of 1st December, 1914, for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-Effective Pay

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of Our Army, paragraph 502 of the Special Reserve Regulations and the Regulations for the Territorial Force. A.O. 96
1915
continued.

Given at Our Court at St. James's, this 16th day
of February, 1915, in the 5th year of Our
Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

KITCHENER.

Published on the 20th February, 1915.

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Gen. No.
3185**IX.—Majors of the British Service who are drawing pay at Indian Rates—Increased Pay of Rank.** A.O. 97.
1915.
—New rates of Indian pay of rank as under have been sanctioned by the India Office for Majors of the British Service in Military employ who are drawing pay at Indian rates. The new rates will have effect from 1st January, 1914, and will carry exchange compensation allowance at one anna the rupee.

Majors of the British Service in Military Employ.

Arm.	On promotion.	After 24 years' service.
	Per mensem. Rupees.	Per mensem. Rupees.
Royal Horse Artillery	830	880
Cavalry	780	830
Royal Field Artillery and Royal Garrison Artillery.	780	830
Royal Engineers	780	830
Infantry	730	780

Majors of cavalry and infantry of over two years' service as such on the 1st January, 1915, will draw the old rate of pay until they attain 24 years' service.

Majors of cavalry and infantry of under two years' service as such on 1st January, 1915, may elect to remain on the old scale of pay until they attain 24 years' service. Such officers, who are drawing Indian rates of pay from the British Army Agents or other British channel, desiring to retain the old rates, should

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A.O. 97 at once inform the Secretary, War Office (F. 2), to this
1915 effect. Steps will then be taken to communicate their
continued. names to the Army Agents concerned. If notification
is not made by 1st June, 1915, it will be assumed that
the officer does not elect to retain the old rate.

Adjustments of pay for the period during which
officers (including officers in Indian payment subsequent
to 1st January, 1914, but no longer drawing Indian
rates) were in Indian payment will be made by the
Indian authorities.

Published on the 23rd February, 1915.

A.O. 98. **X.—Victoria Cross.**—His Majesty the King has
1915. been graciously pleased to approve of the grant of the
Victoria Cross to the undermentioned officers and men
for their conspicuous acts of bravery and devotion to
duty whilst serving with the Expeditionary Force :—

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Lieut.-Colonel Ernest Wright Alexander, 119th
Battery, Royal Field Artillery.

For conspicuous bravery and great ability at Elouges
on 24th August, 1914, when the flank guard was
attacked by a German corps, in handling his battery
against overwhelming odds with such conspicuous
success that all his guns were saved, notwithstanding
that they had to be withdrawn by hand by himself and
three other men. This enabled the retirement of the
5th Division to be carried out without serious loss.

Subsequently Lieut.-Colonel Alexander (then major)
rescued a wounded man under a heavy fire, with the
greatest gallantry and devotion to duty.

No. 6535, Drummer William Kenny, 2nd Bn. The
Gordon Highlanders.

For conspicuous bravery on 23rd October, near
Ypres, in rescuing wounded men on five occasions under
very heavy fire in the most fearless manner, and for
twice previously saving machine guns by carrying them
out of action.

On numerous occasions Drummer Kenny conveyed
urgent messages under very dangerous circumstances
over fire-swept ground.

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Lieutenant James Anson Otho Brooke, 2nd Bn. A.O. 98
The Gordon Highlanders. 1915

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For conspicuous bravery and great ability near Gheluvelt on the 29th October, in leading two attacks on the German trenches under heavy rifle and machine gun fire, regaining a lost trench at a very critical moment. He was killed on that day.

By his marked coolness and promptitude on this occasion Lieutenant Brooke prevented the enemy from breaking through our line, at a time when a general counter-attack could not have been organized.

Captain John Franks Vallentin, 1st Bn. The South
Staffordshire Regiment.

For conspicuous bravery on 7th November at Zillebeke. When leading the attack against the Germans under a very heavy fire he was struck down, and on rising to continue the attack was immediately killed.

The capture of the enemy's trenches which followed was in a great measure due to the confidence which the men had in their captain, arising from his many previous acts of great bravery and ability.

Lieutenant Frank Alexander de Pass, late 34th
Prince Albert Victor's Own Poona Horse.

For conspicuous bravery near Festubert on the 24th November, in entering a German sap and destroying a traverse in the face of the enemy's bombs, and for subsequently rescuing, under heavy fire, a wounded man who was lying exposed in the open.

Lieutenant de Pass lost his life on this day in a second attempt to capture the aforementioned sap, which had been re-occupied by the enemy.

No. 11340, Private Henry Howey Robson, 2nd Bn.
The Royal Scots (Lothian Regiment).

For most conspicuous bravery near Kemmel on the 14th December, 1914, during an attack on the German position, when he left his trench under very heavy fire and rescued a wounded non-commissioned officer, and subsequently for making an attempt to bring another wounded man into cover, whilst exposed to a severe fire. In this attempt he was at once wounded, but persevered in his efforts until rendered helpless by being shot a second time.

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continued.

No. 8185, Private James Mackenzie, late 2nd Bn.
Scots Guards.

For conspicuous bravery at Rouges Bancs on the 19th December, in rescuing a severely wounded man from in front of the German trenches, under a very heavy fire and after a stretcher-bearer party had been compelled to abandon the attempt.

Private Mackenzie was subsequently killed on that day whilst in the performance of a similar act of gallant conduct.

Lieutenant Philip Neame, Royal Engineers.

For conspicuous bravery on the 19th December, near Neuve Chapelle, when, notwithstanding the very heavy rifle fire and bomb-throwing by the enemy, he succeeded in holding them back and rescuing all the wounded men whom it was possible to move.

No. 10694, Private Abraham Acton, 2nd Bn. The
Border Regiment.

No. 6423, Private James Smith, 3rd Bn. The
Border Regiment (attached 2nd Bn.).

For conspicuous bravery on 21st December, at Rouges Bancs, in voluntarily going from their trench and rescuing a wounded man who had been lying exposed against the enemy's trenches for 75 hours, and on the same day again leaving their trench voluntarily, under heavy fire, to bring into cover another wounded man.

They were under fire for 60 minutes whilst conveying the wounded men into safety.

No. 3556. Lance-Corporal Michael O'Leary, 1st Bn.
Irish Guards.

For conspicuous bravery at Cuinchy on the 1st February, 1915. When forming one of the storming party which advanced against the enemy's barricades he rushed to the front and himself killed five Germans who were holding the first barricade, after which he attacked a second barricade, about 60 yards further on, which he captured, after killing three of the enemy and making prisoners of two more.

Lance-Corporal O'Leary thus practically captured the enemy's position by himself, and prevented the rest of the attacking party from being fired upon.

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Clasp to Victoria Cross.

A.O. 98

1915

continued.

Lieutenant Arthur Martin Leake, Royal Army Medical Corps, who was awarded the Victoria Cross on 13th May, 1902, is granted a Clasp for conspicuous bravery in the present campaign.

For most conspicuous bravery and devotion to duty throughout the campaign, especially during the period 29th October to 8th November, 1914, near Zonnebeke, in rescuing, whilst exposed to constant fire, a large number of the wounded who were lying close to the enemy's trenches.

The foregoing appeared in the *London Gazette*, dated 18th February, 1915.

Published on the 24th February, 1915.

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Infantry
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XI.—Refund of discharge purchase money.—In the case of soldiers who, having obtained their discharge by purchase under Article 1129 or 1130, Pay Warrant, re-enlist to serve for the period of the war, the refund admissible under Article 1133 will be one-half of the purchase money, but not in any case exceeding 9%. Applications will be dealt with as laid down in the Army Council's instructions to Article 1133.

A.O. 99.

1915.

This refund may be made whether the soldier re-enlists into the Regular Army (including the New Armies), Royal Marines, Special Reserve, or Territorial Force; but in the case of the Territorial Force, refund will only be made if the soldier accepts liability for Imperial Service.

A refund of 30s. may be made under similar conditions in the case of a re-enlisted special reservist, category (a), who obtained his discharge by purchase under paragraph 603, Special Reserve Regulations.

This Army Order will have effect as from 5th August, 1914.

Army Orders.—March, 1915.*Published on the 26th February, 1915.***XII.—ROYAL WARRANT.**

A.O. 100. Increase of Separation Allowance, Extension of Separation Allowance and Pensions, and Abolition of Allotment for Soldiers' Children. 46
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GEORGE R.I.

WHEREAS We deem it expedient to make a further increase in the provision already made for the maintenance of the wives and children and other dependants of soldiers of Our Army, and to extend such maintenance and pensions to persons not hitherto included in the grant, and to limit still further the amount which a soldier may be required under Article 986 of Our Warrant of the 1st December, 1914, for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-Effective Pay of Our Army to allot from his pay towards the maintenance of his wife and family ;

OUR WILL AND PLEASURE IS that, with effect from 1st March, 1915 and during the remaining period of the present war, the weekly rates of Separation Allowance issuable to the wives and families of soldiers under Our Warrants of the 23rd September, 1914, and 9th November, 1914, shall be increased so that together with the minimum allotments of pay specified in Article 986 of Our Warrant of the 1st December, 1914, for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-Effective Pay of Our Army, and apart from any grants under paragraph 3 of Our Warrant of the 23rd September, 1914, they shall yield the following total weekly amounts :—

Family.	Class of soldier for allowances.				
	15.	16.	17 and 18.	19.	20
	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
Wife	23 0	22 0	16 6	15 0	12 6
„ and 1 child ...	28 0	27 0	21 6	20 0	17 6
„ and 2 children...	31 6	30 6	25 0	23 6	21 0
„ and 3 children...	33 6	32 6	27 0	25 6	23 0
„ and 4 children...	35 6	34 6	29 0	27 6	25 0

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And so on, with an addition of 2s. for each additional child. In the case of families in public quarters, deductions shall be made as in paragraph 2 of Our Warrant of the 23rd September, 1914. The rate of Separation Allowance admissible for a motherless child shall be 5s. a week. A.O. 100
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During the period of the present war and under instructions to be drawn up by Our Army Council (a) the wives and children of all soldiers of Our Army who are otherwise entitled shall be eligible for Separation Allowance and Pensions although the marriage of the soldier did not take place till after mobilization or enlistment; (b) the children of soldiers otherwise eligible for Separation Allowance and Pensions shall be eligible to draw such in all cases up to the age of 16 years, and beyond that age in cases prescribed by Our Army Council; (c) the wives and children, residing in this country, of British soldiers serving in India not now eligible for Separation Allowance shall be so eligible as from 1st February, 1915; (d) Separation Allowance shall be admissible for dependants in cases in which the wife of the soldier was separated from him prior to mobilization (or enlistment, if later), and is not in receipt of Separation Allowance; and (e) in the case of a married soldier Separation Allowance shall be admissible, under the usual conditions, for any children whom he had been permanently maintaining as members of his household.

IT IS OUR FURTHER WILL AND PLEASURE that from the 1st March, 1915, and during the remaining period of the present war, a soldier shall not be required to make an allotment towards the allowance of 5s. a week for motherless children above referred to. Article 986 of Our Warrant of the 1st December, 1914, for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-Effective Pay of Our Army and Our Warrants of the 15th and 30th August, 23rd September and 9th November, 1914, shall be read accordingly.

Given at Our Court at St. James's this 25th day of February, 1915, in the 5th year of Our Reign.

By His Majesty's Command,

KITCHENER.

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1915 *Army Council's Instructions on the above Warrant and continued. on other matters appertaining to the issue of Separation Allowance.*

Increased Rates for Children.

1. The normal scale of weekly payments during the period of the war to soldiers' families has been increased in respect of children, and now stands as follows :—

(a).—For families not in public quarters.

	Class 15.			Class 16.			Classes 17 and 18.			Class 19.			Class 20.		
	Alloiment.	Separation allowance.	Total.	Alloiment.	Separation allowance.	Total.	Alloiment.	Separation allowance.	Total.	Alloiment.	Separation allowance.	Total.	Alloiment.	Separation allowance.	Total.
For wife only	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
" and 1 child	17 2 23 0	22 2 28 0	39 4 51 0	16 2 22 0	21 2 27 0	37 4 49 0	10 8 16 6	15 8 21 6	25 16 38 2	9 2 15 0	14 2 20 0	23 4 35 0	9 2 15 0	14 2 20 0	23 4 35 0
" " and 2 children	25 8 31 6	31 6 37 6	56 14 69 2	24 8 30 6	29 8 36 6	53 16 70 2	19 2 25 0	24 2 30 0	43 4 54 0	14 2 20 0	19 2 25 0	33 4 44 0	14 2 20 0	19 2 25 0	33 4 44 0
" " and 3 children	27 8 33 6	33 6 39 6	60 14 73 2	26 8 32 6	31 6 37 6	57 14 70 2	21 2 27 0	26 2 32 0	47 4 58 0	19 2 25 0	24 2 30 0	43 4 54 0	19 2 25 0	24 2 30 0	43 4 54 0
" " and 4 children	29 8 35 6	35 6 41 6	64 14 77 2	28 8 34 6	33 6 39 6	61 14 74 2	23 2 29 0	28 2 34 0	51 4 62 0	21 2 27 0	26 2 32 0	47 4 58 0	21 2 27 0	26 2 32 0	47 4 58 0
For each additional child separation allowance at 2s. per week is issuable, the allotment remaining as above.															
For each motherless child.	...	5 0 5 0	5 0 5 0	...	5 0 5 0	5 0 5 0	...	5 0 5 0	5 0 5 0	...	5 0 5 0	5 0 5 0	...	5 0 5 0	5 0 5 0

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(b.)—For families remaining in public quarters, the corresponding rates shall be as follows, after making the prescribed deduction for lodging, fuel and light from the rates of separation allowance specified above:—

	Class 15.			Class 16.			Classes 17 and 18.			Class 19.			Class 20.		
	Allotment.	Separation allowance.	Total.	Allotment.	Separation allowance.	Total.	Allotment.	Separation allowance.	Total.	Allotment.	Separation allowance.	Total.	Allotment.	Separation allowance.	Total.
For wife only ...	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.	s. d.
" and 1 child ...	3 2	3 2	9 0	3 2	3 2	9 0	3 2	3 2	9 0	3 2	3 2	9 0	3 2	3 2	9 0
" and 2 children	5 10	11 8	17 6	5 10	11 8	17 6	5 10	11 8	17 6	5 10	11 8	17 6	5 10	11 8	17 6
" and 3 children	5 10	13 8	19 6	5 10	13 8	19 6	5 10	13 8	19 6	5 10	13 8	19 6	5 10	13 8	19 6
" and 4 children	5 10	15 8	21 6	5 10	15 8	21 6	5 10	15 8	21 6	5 10	15 8	21 6	5 10	15 8	21 6

For each additional child separation allowance of 2s. per week issuable as under Table (a) above.

2. To avoid the recall of postal draft books on which payments are already being made, the following instructions will be observed for the payment of the extra amounts due, in respect of the increased rates for soldiers' children, for the period from 1st March, 1915, to the end of the period covered by the books, in cases in which the wives or dependants are already on payment :—

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(a) In those cases in which the period expires on 11th April, 1915, the amount due will be issued in one sum by Army money order, payable on 1st March, 1915.

(b) In those cases in which the period expires on 10th May, 1915, the amount will be paid as above in two equal sums, on 1st March, 1915, and 1st April, 1915.

Marriages after 13th August, 1914 (or date of enlistment, if later).

3. In cases of this kind in which approval for the issue of Separation Allowance has not already been given, under instructions in force prior to the date of receipt of this Order, the issue of Separation Allowance will begin from the date of marriage or from the 1st February, 1915, whichever is later. In all such cases the usual conditions as to payment of allotments will apply.

Extension of Limit of Age for Children.

4. Separation Allowance will be issuable on application for all children up to the age of 16, and this will have effect as from 1st February, 1915. The certificates required by Army Order 492 of 1914 for boys under the age of 16 will no longer be necessary.

5. In addition, the allowance will also be admissible, as from 1st February, 1915, for young persons between the ages of 16 and 21, on a certificate from the Local Education Authority, while the young person is an apprentice receiving only a nominal wage or is a day pupil at a secondary school, technical school or university. Claims received by the paymaster will be forwarded to the Local Education Authority, unless accompanied by a certificate from that Authority. The certificate of that Authority for the first issue may be taken as covering the issue to the end of the current quarterly period, and further instructions will be issued as to periodical certificates for subsequent quarters.

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A.O. 100 6. Payment under paragraphs 4 and 5 for the current
1915 quarter may be made in one sum by Army money
continued. order as soon as the application has been duly certified
and approved.

7. These Separation Allowances will in any case
cease on the conclusion of the war.

British Units in India—Families resident in this country.

8. The wives and families of soldiers belonging to
British units serving in India since the beginning of
the war are now eligible for Separation Allowance as
from 1st February, 1915. It is presumed that in the
great majority of cases paymasters are already issuing
allotments of pay and will be able to take the necessary
steps forthwith to bring the wives and families into
payment of Separation Allowance in the ordinary way.
This applies to all wives and families resident in this
country, whether on the married establishment or not,
but not to dependants. In order to avoid omissions and
to secure the usual verification of particulars, instruc-
tions will be sent from the War Office to cause complete
rolls to be rendered by officers commanding to pay-
masters at home, who, after making the necessary
entries in Army Form N 1536, will transmit the rolls
to the Officer i/c Records for the purpose of verification.

9. Allotments, unless already being paid at the
standard or higher rate, will also be issuable at the
standard rate from the above date. The issuing
paymaster will notify the India Office of such issues
on Army Form O 1795 in the manner laid down in
paragraph 7 (b) of Army Order 1 of 1915. The
amounts recoverable from the soldier's pay will be
refunded by the India Office direct to the War Office.

Dependants of Married Men.

10. The extension of Separation Allowance to the
dependants of married men will reckon as from
1st February, 1915, for men already serving at the date
of this order, and from the date of application in other
cases. It will apply only in those cases in which no
Separation Allowance is admissible for the soldier's wife.
Payments under a maintenance order will not prevent
the issue of Separation Allowance for a dependant if
the payment under the maintenance order is made
entirely from the soldier's pay. The ordinary terms
and procedure of Army Order 440 of 1914 will be
followed in cases coming under this paragraph.

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11. Under sub-paragraph (e) of the foregoing warrant, separation allowance will be issuable at the usual rates for any children whom a married soldier had permanently maintained as his own; this will admit adopted children and illegitimate children or step-children. Separation Allowance in such cases will be issuable as from 1st February, 1915, and any sum due in this respect for the current quarterly period may be issued by Army money order in advance. Claims made should be carefully verified by paymasters, *e.g.*, through local representative committees.

Issue of Separation Allowance while in Rate-aided Institutions.

12. Separation Allowance will not ordinarily be admissible for persons in rate-aided institutions. In cases where a soldier prior to mobilization or enlistment, made regular payments for the maintenance of a person in a lunatic asylum or sanatorium (or of a child boarded-out by a local authority), and such person would otherwise be entitled to Separation Allowance, the Separation Allowance otherwise issuable may be admitted up to the actual amount previously paid by the soldier, provided that he allots at least the proportion, if any, payable by him. If a person already drawing Separation Allowance enters a lunatic asylum or sanatorium where contributions are normally paid (or if a child is boarded out by a local authority) the issue of Separation Allowance may be continued towards the cost of maintenance as above. In these cases, if there are children, 5s. a week for each child will first be issued for their maintenance, and only the balance will be available for payment to the asylum.

Payment in such cases will be made direct by the paymaster to the authorities of the institution, and not by the usual postal draft. Paragraph 14 of Army Order 12 of 1915 is hereby cancelled.

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XIII.—Conditions of issue of Separation Allowance for Dependants.—1. The definition of dependant in paragraph 2 (a) of Army Order 440 of 1914 is extended as from 1st February, 1915, to include any person who is found as a fact to have been dependent on the soldier for a reasonable period before mobilization or enlistment if later. Where the soldier has been living in the same house, the assistance given by him must have been

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1915 which he merely paid for services rendered (*e.g.*, by a
continued. landlady or a paid housekeeper) are not included.

The same rules will apply to cases falling under paragraph 2 (*b*) of that Order, but in these cases it will only be necessary to establish the *fact* of regular and *bond fide* support, as defined above, and not its *degree*.

A dependant otherwise eligible is not in any case barred by the possession of income from other sources.

Paragraph 2 (*b*) will be extended, as from 1st February, 1915, to include children, other than the soldier's, whom the soldier may have permanently maintained as his own. On this point very definite evidence must be obtained by paymasters (*e.g.*, from Pension officers or from the Soldiers' and Sailors' Families' Association, or other local committee) before separation allowance is admitted.

Army Orders 441 and 474 of 1914 will be read accordingly.

*2. Army Order 440 of 1914 will be amended as follows:—

After paragraph 4 insert the following new paragraph:—

A.O. 101. 4A. No person who is entitled to Separation Allow-
1915. ance as the wife or child of a soldier under ordinary regulations can draw Separation Allowance as a dependant in addition.

In line 1 of paragraph 5 (*c*), after "below" insert "subject to paragraph 6."

For paragraph 5 (*d*), lines 1 to 11, substitute—

A.O. 101. "(d) The maximum limit of separation allowance and
1915. allotment will ordinarily be the rate for a wife only; but when more persons than one (whether adults or children) were dependent on the same soldier, the maximum limit will be that which would be payable if the first dependant had been a wife and the others had been children. (In such cases the payee will be the dependant nominated by the soldier.) This is subject to paragraph 6."

For paragraph 6, substitute—

A.O. 101. "6. Where there are children of the soldier in charge
1915. of a dependant who is neither their mother nor drawing Separation Allowance under paragraph 2 (*b*), the motherless rate is admissible for such children; and

* With reference to Army Order XII. of 26th February, 1915, the Examples given in the Appendix to Army Order 440 of 1914 are cancelled.

the allowance to the dependant in charge of the children A.O. 101
and of any other dependants in the household will be 1915
assessed separately, omitting such children. But in *continued.*
assessing the degree of dependence of such dependant
or dependants, a deduction will be made from the total
sum formerly paid by the soldier, to represent the
expenditure on these children. The soldier will pay
the usual share of the *dependant's* allowance thus
assessed."

For paragraph 8, substitute—

"8. If the same person has been dependent on more A.O. 101
than one soldier, the total weekly sum to which the 1915.
Government will contribute will not exceed the
amount which he or she could receive as the sole
dependant of one soldier of the highest rank held by
any of the soldiers in question. The requisite allotment
will be contributed jointly by the soldiers, and any
excess allotment will be added to the total admissible.

In cases in which two or more dependants were
jointly dependent on two or more soldiers, the total
admissible will not exceed the wife's rate for each
dependant up to the number of soldiers concerned, and
the rates for children for any additional dependants,
whether adults or children. *Extra* allotments can be
made as in paragraph 5 (f)."

For paragraph 9 substitute—

"9. Separation allowance will not be admissible for the A.O. 101.
dependants of soldiers while in rate-aided institutions, 1915.
except as provided in paragraph 12 of the Army
Council's instructions contained in Army Order XII
of 26th February, 1915."

Appendix.—

Table L.—*For last 4 lines read—*

"Exceeding 11s. 6d..... 6d."

Table M.—*For last 7 lines read—*

"Exceeding 14s. 6d..... 10d."

3. Apart from the increased rates for children under
paragraphs 6 and 7, which are authorized by
Army Order XII. of 26th February, 1915, with effect
from 1st March, 1915, *additional* grants will now become
issuable in certain cases under paragraphs 2 (b), 5 (d)
and 8, as amended. These additional grants will be
admissible as from 1st February, 1915.

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A.O. 102. 1915.	XIV.—Pay of officers promoted from the ranks of units on the Indian Establishment.—It is notified for information that warrant officers and non-commissioned officers of British Regular units (other than those which are to remain in India), which were on the Indian Establishment on the 4th August, 1914, who have been promoted from the ranks subsequent to that date, will, if promoted prior to leaving India, draw the British rates of pay laid down in the Pay Warrant for officers promoted from the ranks from the date of leaving India; if promoted subsequently to the date of their leaving India, they will draw British rates as above from the date of promotion.	48 Gen. No. 3390
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This will apply to all such officers whether serving in units which form part of the British or Indian Expeditionary Forces.

Warrant officers and non-commissioned officers of British units which were on the Indian Establishment on the 4th August, 1914, and are to remain in India, who have been promoted after that date in their unit, will draw the pay of their commissioned rank at Indian rates, and in the event of their unit ultimately leaving India, will be treated on the same lines as the other officers of their unit.

If pay has been issued at Indian rates in error prior to the issue of this Order, no recovery need be made.

A.O. 103. 1915.	XV.—Post Office Savings Bank Deposits.—As the Post Office Savings Bank has found much difficulty in dealing with the Savings Bank accounts of soldiers whose deposit books are reported lost on active service, the Post Office authorities advise soldiers who are depositors that they should, as a precaution, furnish some relative or friend in Great Britain with (1) the name of the post office at which the account was opened, and (2) the number of the account. These particulars are printed on the outside cover of the deposit book, and will, in the event of the loss of the book, enable the account to be readily traced.	36 Gen. No. 1316
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Commanding Officers will take steps to bring this recommendation to the notice of all non-commissioned officers and men under their command.

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43 **Ordnance College.**—*Ordnance Course, 1914.*—The **A.O. 104.**
Ord. Coll. following officers whose names are arranged in **1915.**
1413 regimental order are noted as having completed a
sufficient portion of the Ordnance Course to qualify
them to perform the duties of an Ordnance officer, and
will have the letter "O" placed after their names in the
Army List :—

Major H. A. Hamilton, Royal Field Artillery.
Major H. Mecredy, " "
Captain A. H. Fraser, " "
Captain C. A. H. Montanaro, " "
Captain W. R. Shilstone, " "
Major R. H. R. Benson, Royal Garrison Artillery.
Major W. D. Warrington-Morris, Royal Garrison
Artillery.
Captain F. A. Finnis, Royal Garrison Artillery.
Captain M. D. Lecky, " "
Captain H. A. Sansom, " "
Captain O. F. G. Hogg, " "
Captain H. K. Stephens, Royal Marine Artillery.

48 **Claims for Relief from Income Tax.**—Officers who **A.O. 105.**
Gen. No. have not yet submitted claims to relief from income tax **1915.**
3409 for the year ending 31st March, 1915, are advised to do
so without further delay, as it will be necessary, in
closing the accounts for the year, to adjust tax on the
pay of all those who have not claimed relief to the
highest rate, viz., 1s. 8d. in the £ in full.

68 **Meritorious Service Medal.**—The following have **A.O. 106.**
Gen. No. been awarded the medal for "Meritorious Service"— **1915.**
2511 Conductor W. Musquin, late Army Ordnance Corps,
formerly of the Coast Brigade, Royal Artillery.
Battery Serjeant-Major S. Brown, late Royal Horse
Artillery.
Serjeant-Major J. Aitken, late Scottish Division, Royal
Artillery.
Serjeant C. Macalister, late Royal Horse Artillery.
2nd Class Master-Gunner S. Norman, late 7th Division,
Coast Brigade, Royal Artillery.

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A.O. 106 2nd Class Serjeant-Instructor J. Bell, late of the Staff,
 1915 School of Musketry.
continued. Quartermaster-Serjeant J. Blane, late Military Staff Clerk,
 formerly of the 2nd Bn. 15th Foot.
 Serjeant-Major G. Bush, late 2nd Bn. Loyal North
 Lancashire Regiment.
 Serjeant T. Williams, late 2nd Bn. 23rd Foot.
 Quartermaster-Serjeant G. Gibbs, late Depôt. Durham
 Light Infantry, now a Yeoman Warder, Tower of
 London.

A.O. 107. Territorial Force Efficiency Medal.—A list of non- 68
 1915. commissioned officers and men of the Territorial Force T.F.
 to whom efficiency medals have been awarded will 1161
 shortly be issued to all concerned.

A.O. 108. Military Branch Detention Barrack, West Hartle- Northern
 1915. pool.—In pursuance of the powers vested in him by 16
 Section 133 of the Army Act, the Secretary of State for 529
 War has set apart the St. Paul's School at West
 Hartlepool, as a Military Branch Detention Barrack
 and has declared the same to be a Military Branch
 Detention Barrack accordingly.

A.O. 109. Recognition of Cadet Units.—The following 9
 1915. additional Cadet units have been reported as recognized Cadets
 by Territorial Force Associations :— 1699

Territorial Force Association.	Cadet unit.	Territorial Force unit to which affiliated.	Date of recognition by Association.
Buckingham	Slough Secondary School Cadets.	The Bucking- hamshire Bn., The Oxford- shire and Buckingham- shire Light Infantry.	1915. 1st Feb.
Lancashire, East.	4th Manchester Cadet Battalion. Church Lads' Brigade.	...	5th Feb.
Somerset ...	3rd Bath and Wells Cadet Corps, Church Lads' Brigade.	...	4th Feb.

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Territorial Force Association.	Cadet unit.	Territorial Force unit to which affiliated.	Date of recognition by Association.	A.O. 109 1915 <i>continued.</i>
Stafford ...	Stafford Grammar School Cadet Corps.	6th Bn. The Prince of Wales's (North Staffordshire Regt.).	1915. 4th Feb.	
Warwick ...	St. Philip's Grammar School (Edgbaston) Cadet Corps.	...	5th Feb.	
York (West Riding).	St. John's, Baildon, Cadet Company, Church Lads' Brigade.	...	8th Feb.	

NOTE.—The disbandment of The Brighton Preparatory Schools Cadet Corps, published in Army Order 41 of 1915, is *cancelled*.

The designation of the St. John's, Plymouth, Cadet Company, published in Army Order 41 of 1915, will be in future the St. John's and St. Peter's, Plymouth, Cadet Company, Church Lads' Brigade.

The 1st Cadet Company, 8th Bn. The Lancashire Fusiliers (late Broughton Lads' Brigade), recognized by Army Order 343 of 1912, has been disbanded, with effect from 29th January, 1915.

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Recognition of Voluntary Aid Detachments.—A A.O. 110.
further list of detachments, which have been registered 1915.
at the War Office, is printed as an Appendix to this Order.

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King's Regulations—Amendments.—1. Paragraph A.O. 111.
29 (iii) (b). *Add* "An Inspector Lines of Communica- 1915.
tion at home".

2. Paragraph 391. *After* "Staff Officer i/c School of Cookery" *add* "Section Commandant, Lines of Communication".

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For "O.C., Royal Flying Corps (Military Wing)",
substitute "O.C. Wing, Royal Flying Corps".

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A.O. 111 1915 <i>continued.</i>	3. Paragraph 1915, first sub-paragraph (as amended by Army Order 340 of 1913), and paragraph 1870 (i), Table —column (e). After "embarkation" insert "†" and add following footnote :—	30 <u>Artillery</u> 5562
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A.O. 111. 1915.	† In the case of soldiers embarking with their units the date of embarkation is the date on which the headquarters of the unit embarks. In the case of a soldier embarking otherwise than with his unit, the date of embarkation is the date on which he actually goes on board.
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A.O. 112. 1915.	Allowance Regulations — Amendments. — Paragraph 18, sub-paragraphs (c) and (d). In each sub-para. for "may" substitute "will" and after "agent" insert "or command-paymaster"	48 <u>A.M.O.</u> 421
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A.O. 113. 1915.	Priced Vocabulary of Stores, Parts I. and II., Provisional Issue.—The publication of the usual complete triennial revision of the Priced Vocabulary of Stores used in His Majesty's Service has been postponed and a provisional revise has been approved and will shortly be issued to all concerned.	57 <u>Vocab.</u> 7664
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2. This provisional edition embodies all new service pattern stores published in Lists of Changes in War Matériel and all amended and additional rates published in Lists of Amendments to the Vocabulary, issued with Army Orders, together with such further additional information as was available and could be inserted without unduly delaying the issue of the book. It therefore differs from the 1912 edition considerably both in matter and prices.

3. The book contains land service stores and stores common to land and naval services. Purely naval stores appear in the Priced Vocabulary of Naval Ordnance Stores published by the Admiralty.

4. The prices shown in the revised edition will supersede all prices previously published or otherwise communicated (except as provided for in paragraph 13 of the Instructions) and will take effect from the date at which the book is received at a station, except at Woolwich and Weedon, where they will come into force on 1st April next. The date of such receipt must be reported to the War Office.

5. For nomenclature, this edition will come into

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operation from the commencement of the next period of account after the receipt of the book (*see* Regulations for Army Ordnance Services, Part I.). **A.O. 113**
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6. The edition promulgated by Army Order 247 of 1912, and amendments thereto, are *cancelled*.

7. Attention is specially drawn to the instructions and also to the fact that the book is for official use only.

8 **Clothing and Necessaries.**—Instructions regarding **A.O. 114.**
Clothing the issue of Clothing and Necessaries during mobiliza- **1915.**
21 tion have been approved, and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.

These instructions will supersede Part III., Clothing Regulations, as the authority for the clothing of the Regular Forces (including Reserve and Extra Reserve units) at home during mobilization.

27 **Attestation and Notice Paper—Amendment.**— **A.O. 115.**
Gen. No. It is notified for information that the following **1915.**
3816 amendments should be made in all copies used in future of Army Forms B 2505 and B 2505A, Attestation and Notice Paper, Short Service (for the duration of the war).

Printed slips with these amendments will be issued to recruiting officers for pasting on the forms :—

In Question 7. *For* the word “which” *substitute* “state particulars”.

Add “Question 7A. Have you truly stated the whole, if any, of your previous service?”

30 **Pay of Soldiers on Furlough, &c.**—Instruc- **A.O. 116.**
Gen. No. tions relative to the issue of pay to invalid **1915.**
5059 soldiers on sick furlough after active service and to men discharged from the Army on leaving hospital have been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.

54 **Arms and Equipment of Officers.**—Army Order 68 **A.O. 117.**
Officers of 1915, should be amended as follows :— **1915.**
1005 Paragraph 1, line 9. *For* “Dismounted officers of Royal Engineer units” *substitute* “Officers of Field and Divisional Signal Companies Royal Engineers.”

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A.O. 118.	Garrison Artillery Training, Volume I, 1914—	40
1915.	Amendment—Section 44, paragraph 5, page 81, lines 1 and 2. Delete, “the breech blocks being left open except during heavy rain” and substitute “and the guns ‘made safe’ in accordance with Section 67, 1.”	War Office
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A.O. 119.	Army Horses.—A pamphlet entitled “Notes on the feeding, management and issue of Army horses” has been approved, and copies will be issued to all concerned.	116
1915.		Gen. No.
		6079
A.O. 120.	Handbooks.—1. Amendments to the 13-pr. and 18-pr. Q.F. Section Gun Drill pamphlets have been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.	40
1915.		W.O.
		2325
	2. Amendments to the Handbook of the 1-pr. Q.F. gun, Marks I**, I*** and II. (anti-aircraft), 1914, have been approved and copies will shortly be issued to all concerned.	40
		W.O.
		2386

A.O. 121. **BOOKS, FORMS, &c.**
1915.

*Military Books.***1. The following books have been placed on sale :—**

	Price.
	s. d.
Army Entrance Examinations; (1) Royal Military Academy, Woolwich, (2) Royal Military College, Sandhurst. November and December, 1914. Rules, Question Papers and Tables of Marks	1 0
East Surrey Regiment, Short History of	0 1
Garrison Artillery Training. Vol. I. 1914	0 6
Handbook for the 303-inch Vickers Machine Gun (Magazine Rifle Chamber) Mounted on Tripod Mounting, Mark IV. 1914	0 6
Notes on Map Reading. For use in Army Schools. 1915	0 3
Royal Warrant for the Pay, Appointment, Promotion and Non-effective Pay of the Army. 1914	0 7
South Lancashire Regiment, Short History of	0 1
Training Manual—Signalling. Part II. Appendix II. Telegraph Cable Drill	0 2

*Army Forms approved.***2. The following Army Forms have been approved :—**
Army Form 2506, “Range Takers’ Card.”

Copies of this form have been sent to all concerned.

Army Form B 2507, "Daily Return of Recruits."

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This form has been distributed to all recruiting officers.

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Army Form B 2508, "Particulars of a man consenting to enlist: for use by Civil Agent and others at Meetings or at any time when no Recruiting Officer is present."

Copies of this form (in pads of 50) have been forwarded to Officers Commanding Districts.

Army Form G 1096-35, "Kitchen, Travelling, 'Mabbott': Inventory of."

Army Form G 1096-36, "Kitchen, Travelling, 'Lune'; Inventory of."

Applications for these two forms should be addressed to the D.D.O.S., Woolwich Arsenal.

Army Form O 1843A, "Slip to be attached to Army Form O 1843."

Army Form O 1843B, "Notification as to the date on which Provisional Payment of Separation Allowance to a Dependent will be suspended."

Army Form O 1843c, "Notification to a Dependent of the date on which the Provisional Issue of Separation Allowance will be suspended."

Supplies of these three forms have been sent to Regimental Paymasters and Secretaries, Territorial Force Associations.

Army Form W 3056, "Special Report on Enteric Fever."

A distribution of this form has been made to Headquarters of Commands, except Irish.

Army Form W 3066, "Certificate respecting Equipment to be used in connection with Army Book 64 (Soldier's Pay Book)."

Copies of this form should be indented for by units in possession of this Army Book.

Army Form W 3067, "Return of Sick and Wounded from the Expeditionary Force."

A distribution of this form has been made to officers in charge, General Hospitals.

Army Form W 3068, "Transfer Clothing and Necessaries Statement—to be used in substitution for Army Form H 1157 during war period."

Copies of this form should be indented for by those concerned.

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A.O. 121 Army Form W 3071, "Instructions to men granted sick furlough."
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continued. This form has been distributed to all concerned.

Army Form W 3074, "Section Roll. Tests of Elementary Training (Musketry)."

Supplies of this form have been distributed to all concerned. Any unit not in possession of copies should indent in the usual way.

Army Form W 3075 (previously numbered M.T. 360), "Declaration by Candidate for Commission in Regular Army, Special Reserve or Territorial Force as to health."

Copies of this form should be indented for as required.

Mobilization Store Tables.

Army Form G 1098-7, "A Motor Machine-Gun Battery." Dated January, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-24B, "A Siege Artillery Brigade (Light) (6-inch B.L. Howitzer Equipment)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-31A, "A Bridging Train (Mechanical Transport)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-62A, "A Cavalry Field Ambulance (7 Motor Ambulance Cars and 3 Horses Ambulance Wagons)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-65A, "A General Hospital (1,040 beds)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-75A, "A Siege Artillery Brigade (Medium) with Mechanical Transport." Dated January, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-105, "Headquarters of Divisional Artillery (New Armies)." Dated January, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-110, "An Infantry Battalion (Regulars) (New Armies)." Dated January, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-111, "Headquarters of a Division (New Armies)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-112, "Headquarters of an Infantry Brigade (New Armies)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-116, "A Cavalry Squadron (Divisional Mounted Troops) (New Armies)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-122, "Cyclist Company. Divisional Mounted Troops (New Armies)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G. 1099-27A, "Provisional List of War Equipment for Headquarters, Mounted Divisional Army Service Corps, Territorial Force."

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Army Form G 1099-27B, "Provisional List of War Equipment for Divisional Train, Army Service Corps, Territorial Force." A.O. 121
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continued.

Copies of the above-mentioned fourteen forms have been distributed to all concerned.

Revised Army Forms.

3. The following Army Forms have been revised. Previous prints are obsolete and should be wasted :—

Army Form B 104-97, "Weekly Return of Establishment and Strength to be rendered by Regular Units, Reserve and Extra Reserve Units, other than those of the 'Force for the augmentation of the Army serving in the United Kingdom.'"

Army Form B 104-98, "Weekly Return of Establishment and Strength to be rendered by all Units of the Force for the augmentation of the Army serving in the United Kingdom."

Mobilization Store Tables.

Army Form G 1098-5, "Headquarters of a Cavalry Brigade (with Cavalry Division)." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-31, "A Bridging Train." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-43A, "An Infantry Battalion (Territorial Force), Expeditionary Force." Dated January, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-89, "A Mobile Veterinary Section." Dated February, 1915.

Army Form G 1098-100, "Stores for Signal Services." Dated January, 1915.

Copies of these five forms have been distributed to all concerned.

Army Forms cancelled.

4. The following Army Forms have been cancelled :—

Army Form G 1090, "Personal Equipment of Reservists to be used at Depôts on Mobilization."

Army Form H 1117, "Kit allowed to Reservists; Particulars of."

In this connection it is pointed out that when reservists' kits are assembled at depôts, &c., after the war, the new card, Army Form G 1091, will be used.

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LIST OF CHANGES IN WAR MATÉRIEL, &c.

A list of changes in war matériel and patterns of military stores which have been approved and sealed, with instructions relating thereto, is issued herewith to all concerned.

By Command of the Army Council,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read "R. H. Wade". The signature is written in a cursive style with a large, looping initial "R".

APPENDIX TO ARMY ORDER 110.

VOLUNTARY AID DETACHMENTS.

Counties, &c., are arranged in alphabetical order.

ENGLAND AND WALES.

No.	Detachment.	Classification.	By whom organized.
3	Bedford ...	Men's ...	British Red Cross Society.
15	Berks ...	"	
56	" ...	Women's	
58	" ...	"	
42	Buckingham ...	"	St. John Ambulance Association.
8	Cardigan ...	"	British Red Cross Society.
14	Carmarthen...	"	
11	Chester ...	Men's ...	
13	" ...	"	
15	" ...	"	
17	" ...	"	
74	" ...	Women's	
76	" ...	"	
78	" ...	"	
80	" ...	"	
82	" ...	"	
84	" ...	"	
86	" ...	"	
88	" ...	"	
90	" ...	"	
92	" ...	"	
94	" ...	"	
96	" ...	"	
54	Cornwall ...	"	St. John Ambulance Brigade.
102	Devon ...	"	
104	" ...	"	
59	Durham ...	Men's ...	
62	" ...	Women's	British Red Cross Society.
28	Essex ...	"	
118	Glamorgan ...	"	
214	Hants ...	"	
35	Kent ...	Men's ...	St John Ambulance Brigade.

* In place of detachment resigned.

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No.	Detachment.	Classification.	By whom organized.
146	Kent ...	Women's*	British Red Cross Society.
39	Lancashire, East ...	Men's ...	
166	" " ...	Women's ...	
23	" West ...	Men's ...	
50	" " ...	Women's ...	St. John Ambulance Association.
52	" " ...	" ...	
18	Leicester ...	" ...	
22	" ...	" ...	
24	" ...	" ...	British Red Cross Society.
17	Lincoln ...	Men's ...	
19	" ...	" ...	
46	" ...	Women's ...	
48	" ...	" ...	British Red Cross Society.
31	London ...	Men's ...	
160	" ...	Women's ...	
162	" ...	" ...	
164	" ...	" ...	St. John Ambulance Association.
166	" ...	" ...	
168	" ...	" ...	
2	Merioneth ...	" ...	
28	Middlesex ...	" ...	St. John Ambulance Association.
30	" ...	" ...	
29	Norfolk ...	Men's ...	
94	" ...	Women's ...	
96	" ...	" ...	British Red Cross Society.
19	Stafford ...	Men's ...	
76	" ...	Women's ...	
31	Surrey ...	Men's ...	
88	" ...	Women's ...	British Red Cross Society.
90	" ...	" ...	
92	" ...	" ...	
94	" ...	" ...	
96	" ...	" ...	British Red Cross Society.
98	" ...	" ...	
100	" ...	" ...	
102	" ...	" ...	
104	" ...	" ...	British Red Cross Society.
106	" ...	" ...	
47	Sussex ...	Men's ...	
172	" ...	Women's ...	
19	Warwick ...	Men's ...	British Red Cross Society.
60	" ...	Women's ...	
62	" ...	" ...	
64	" ...	" ...	
48	Wilts ...	" ...	British Red Cross Society.
9	Worcester ...	Men's ...	
68	Yorkshire ...	Women's ...	
32	Yorkshire, East Riding.	" ...	
34	Yorkshire, East Riding.	" ...	

* In place of detachment merged into 142.

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SCOTLAND.

No.	Detachment.	Classification.	By whom organized.
40	Aberdeen ...	Women's ...	} British Red Cross Society, Scottish Branch.
42	Ayr ...	" ...	
6	Kinross ...	" ...	
8	" ...	" ...	
17	Lanark ...	Men's ...	
30	" ...	Women's ...	

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